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AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS

In the Claims:

1. (Previously presented) A carrier comprising an elongate strip having a first portion and a second portion; a fold between said first portion and said second portion such that the first portion contacts the second portion; and a join between the first portion and the second portion, wherein said join and the fold form the edges of a pocket or pouch for containment of medicament, said pocket or pouch containing a unit dose of medicament therein.
2. (Previously presented) A carrier according to claim 1, wherein said pocket or pouch comprises folds therein.
3. (Previously presented) A carrier according to claim 1, wherein said pocket or pouch comprises contours or ridges therein.
4. (Previously presented) A carrier according to claim 1, additionally comprising a retainer within the pocket or pouch for retaining product thereon.
5. (Previously presented) A carrier according to claim 1, wherein each of the ends of the elongate strip has a non self-binding adhesive portion.
6. (Previously presented) A carrier according to claim 1, wherein each of the ends of the elongate strip has a peelable cover thereon.
7. (Previously presented) A carrier according to claim 6, wherein removal of said peelable cover reveals an adhesive portion on each of the ends of the elongate strip.
8. Cancelled

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9. (Previously presented) A carrier according to claim 1, comprising at least one further join forming at least one further pocket or pouch for containment of medicament.

10. (Previously presented) A carrier according to claim 1, wherein the ends of the elongate strip form a pair of pull release tabs.

11. (Previously presented) A carrier according to claim 10, wherein each of said pull release tabs is shaped for ease of grip.

12. (Previously presented) A carrier according to claim 10, wherein each of the pull release tabs has a looped end.

13. (Previously presented) A carrier according to claim 10, wherein each of the pull release tabs has at least one perforation therein.

14. (Previously presented) A carrier according to claim 1, additionally comprising a drawstring opening mechanism.

15. (Previously presented) A carrier according to claim 14, additionally comprising protruding release ends of said drawstring for opening thereof.

16. (Previously presented) A carrier in multi-unit form comprising a series arrangement of a plurality of carriers according to claim 1.

17. (Previously presented) A carrier according to claim 16, wherein each of said plurality of carriers is connected together.

18. (Previously presented) A carrier according to claim 17, wherein each of said plurality of carriers is formable from the same elongate strip.

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19. (Previously presented) A carrier according to claim 18, wherein said strip has a point of weakness between each carrier in said series arrangement.
20. (Previously presented) A carrier according to claim 16, wherein each pocket or pouch is foldable to lie flat alongside the elongate strip.
21. (Previously presented) A carrier according to claim 1, wherein the elongate strip is flexible.
22. (Previously presented) A carrier according to claim 1, wherein the elongate strip comprises material selected from the group consisting of metal foil, an organic polymeric material and paper.
23. (Previously presented) A carrier according to claim 22, wherein the strip comprises a laminate.
24. (Previously presented) A carrier according to claim 1, wherein the join is formable by a joining method selected from the group consisting of heat, laser, radio frequency, adhesive, staple, stamp, pressure and ultrasonic sealing.
25. (Previously presented) A carrier according to claim 1, wherein the join is peelable to enable peelable access to the pocket or pouch.
26. (Canceled)
27. (Previously presented) A carrier according to claim 1, wherein said medicament is in dry powder, tablet, liquid, paste, cream or capsular form.
28. (Previously presented) A carrier according to claim 1, wherein said medicament is selected from the group consisting of albuterol, salmeterol, ipratropium bromide,

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fluticasone propionate and beclomethasone dipropionate and salts or solvates thereof and any mixtures thereof.

29. (Previously presented) An inhalation device comprising a housing in combination with a medicament carrier as claimed in claim 1.

30. (Previously presented) An inhalation device according to claim 29, wherein the inhalation device comprises a release mechanism and the carrier comprises a pair of pull release tabs connected to said release mechanism.

31. (Previously presented) An inhalation device according to claim 30, wherein the release mechanism is separable from the housing of the inhalation device.

32. (Previously presented) A method of making a carrier comprising forming a fold between a first portion and second portion of an elongate strip such that said first portion contacts said second portion; forming a join between said first portion and said second portion wherein said join and the fold form the edges of an open pocket or pouch for containment of medicament; filling said open pocket or pouch with a unit dose of medicament; and closing said open pocket or pouch by forming a further join.

33. (Previously presented) A method of making a carrier in multi-unit form comprising successive iterations of the method of claim 32 to form a series arrangement of a plurality of carriers.

34. (Previously presented) A method of opening a carrier as claimed in claim 10 comprising pulling the pair of pull release tabs in order to enable access to the pouch.

35. (Previously presented) Use of a carrier according to claim 1, for dispensing medicament.

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36. (Previously presented) Use of a carrier according to claim 35, for applying medicament to skin.

37. (Previously presented) Use of a carrier according to claim 36, for the treatment of cuts, abrasions or infections of said skin.

38. (Original) Use of a carrier according to claim 35, for dispensing slow-release formulations of medicaments via the skin.

39. (Original) Use of a carrier according to claim 35, wherein said medicament is used in the treatment of respiratory disorders.

40. (Original) Use of a carrier according to claim 39, wherein the medicament is used in the treatment of asthma.

41. (Original) Use of a carrier according to claim 40, wherein said medicament is salbutamol or albuterol.

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